

School Finance 101: Revenue Targets

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Revenue targets

- Are based on revenue per student in weighted average daily attendance (WADA)
- ☐ Use best of three "scenarios"
- Include funds for high school allotment and teacher salary allotment



Revenue targets

- □ S1 Based on actual 2005- 06 revenue
- □ S2 Revenue district would have received in 2006- 07 based on:
 - ✓ School finance law prior to HB 1
 - ✓ 2005 adopted tax rate
- □ S3 Revenue district would have received in 2006- 07 based on:
 - ✓ School finance law prior to HB 1
 - Effective tax rate based on HB 1



Revenue targets

- Revenue is divided by WADA in each scenario
- □ Revenue target is based on highest revenue per WADA
- □ Revenue target is multiplied by current-year WADA
- Revenue target leveraged by compressed tax rate

Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction (ASATR)



- ☐ Three components
 - ✓ Best of S1, S2, or S3 revenue per WADA x current-year WADA
 - ✓ High school allotment = \$275 x current-year high school ADA
 - ✓ Teacher salary allotment = \$2,500 x current number of employees subject to minimum salary schedule



ASATR

- ☐ First, calculate revenue target:
 - + Target revenue per WADA x current-year WADA
 - + Salary allotment
 - + High school allotment
 - Revenue target
- Next, calculate difference between target and current law
 - Revenue target
 - Current law revenue (S4)
 - ASATR, if positive, OR (dragback, if negative)



ASATR

- ☐ Adjustments to ASATR
 - ✓ Transportation allotment
 - ✓ NIFA
 - ✓ Additional state aid for tax credits under Tax Code, Chapter 313
 - ✓ Changes in:
 - Optional homestead exemptions
 - □ TIF participation
 - □ Tax abatements



ASATR

- Adjustments to ASATR
 - ✓ Dragback
 - If state and local revenue exceeds the revenue target, funding is reduced to revenue target
 - Penalty for levying tax rate lower than compressed rate



Please note!

- Districts must levy at least the compressed tax rate to receive their target revenue
 - Levying less than compressed rate will result in state aid penalty
 - ✓ Compressed rate generates revenue target, even if it falls below \$0.86



